

House Resolution 325

By: Representative Ralston of the 7th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Donna Gray; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Donna Gray is widely recognized throughout this state as the
3 personification of excellence in education; and

4 WHEREAS, this highly respected kindergarten teacher at Blue Ridge Elementary School has
5 served with honor and distinction as a professional educator, is representative of the standard
6 of excellence that is apparent throughout the Fannin County school system, and attributes her
7 success to her wonderful students that enable her to do quality work as well as the other
8 teachers in the system; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. Gray earned a Summa Cum Laude bachelor's degree in early childhood
10 education from Brenau University, was inducted into the Kappa Delta Phi national honor
11 society for educators, and will earn her master's degree in curriculum and instruction from
12 Grand Canyon University in May; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Gray commits her time and leadership to the Fannin County school system
14 with her service on the Fannin County math vertical alignment committee, the Blue Ridge
15 Elementary technology committee, the Blue Ridge Elementary playground committee, and
16 the STAR student program; and

17 WHEREAS, active in her community as well as her career, she has served on the planning
18 committee for the Fannin County March of Dimes Walk America Campaign, has coordinated
19 fundraising events for the Fannin County Empty Stocking Fund, and has been an active
20 member in PTO, the Fannin County Band Booster Club, Junior Achievement, and the Blue
21 Ridge Elementary School Council; and

22 WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding dedication to academic achievement, Ms. Gray
23 has been selected as the Fannin County 2009 Teacher of the Year; and

24 WHEREAS, Ms. Gray serves as a role model for her students and neighbors, demonstrating
25 strong ethical and moral values daily in her relationships with students, peers, and parents,
26 and her commitment to the education of the youth of Georgia.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Ms. Donna Gray for her sacrifice,
29 foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia and for the
30 positive influence she has had upon the lives and futures of so many young people in this
31 state and congratulate her upon her selection as the Fannin County 2009 Teacher of the Year.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Donna Gray.